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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.56, Applicants wish to call the Examiner's attention to the references cited on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of these references are enclosed herewith, the submission of these references is made solely for the purpose of complying with Applicant's duty of disclosure, and is not intended as a surrender of patentable subject matter nor is it intended to create prosecution history estoppel.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and to indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 forms.

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(b)(3), no fee is believed to be required for consideration of this statement because it is being submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. If a fee is deemed to be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1744.

Respectfully submitted,

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